

# THE APOLLO 10

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*May 18, 2019*

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# WELCOME!

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to my hometown of Weatherford, and to the Stafford Air & Space Museum.

My hometown has changed a great deal since those days growing up here in the middle of the Dust Bowl. Because of visionary leadership, Weatherford has recently been named as "One of America's Top 10 Fastest Growing Towns." As you can tell, I'm a proud Oklahoman, and still a very proud Weatherford "Eagle."

In the past several decades, one of my great delights has been to see the incredible development of this museum. It brings an important educational, cultural, and economic resource to this area, and it is even more special that it is located in my hometown. I am honored to have this museum named for me, but that is not the real purpose of this facility. The purpose is to inspire current and future generations as to the importance of exploration to the ongoing development of our great nation. As the museum's motto states: *"We are the children of explorers - maintain the legacy."* When you think about it, that spirit is what made this country great, and the development of the museum will be greatly focused on this important concept.

And the museum is developing! You probably saw the construction happening when you arrived this evening. The museum is adding 20,000 sq. ft. to the existing 42,000 sq. ft. facility, and doing extensive renovation to the current building. This dramatic development could not have happened without many of you sitting in this room this evening. More than \$5.1 million dollars has already been raised for this project, and for this, I express my most sincere appreciation to all of you who have given! But, we still need to raise about 10% more to finish the campaign. If you would like to help us reach this final mark, please talk to me, or to Museum Director, Max Ary for additional information.

Thank you for taking the effort to be here this evening, and enjoy the event!

*Tom Stafford*



## LET US REMEMBER TONIGHT....

Tonight we are honored to host this historic event to reflect on an extraordinary time in American history in which this country was challenged to be at it greatest; a time we dared ourselves to be GREAT, and were willing to stay the course and pay the price to make it happen.

It was the time of APOLLO, when humans were still willing to take great risk for the purpose of exploration, of expanding our awareness, and redrawing our known human boundaries.

The Apollo Program was simply the greatest and largest peacetime effort in the history of civilization! A half a century later, its accomplishments are heralded by many historians as the single greatest technological achievement in the history of mankind.

And, it was done by US .....50 years ago,  
using slide rules and drafting tables.

It was a time when America was at its greatest; when we thought nothing was impossible.

May this celebration tonight help us remember what our nation is capable of doing when it simply puts its heart and minds toward a common goal!







We have brought together this evening an unprecedented\* group of distinguished people to help us celebrate and remember what we accomplished 50 years ago.

**Some facts about who is sitting in this room tonight:**

- From the 15 manned missions that flew aboard an Apollo between 1968 – 75, we have in attendance a prime or backup crewmember from every one of these missions, except Skylab 4;
- Apollo crews spent a total of more than 277 days in space. Tonight, we have people sitting in this room that flew 137 of those days, or nearly 50%
- After 50 years, 12 of the 24 astronauts who witnessed the moon up close and personal are still living. Half of those are with us tonight.
- 3 of the 4 remaining moon-walkers are in attendance;
- Astronauts from the X-15, Gemini, Apollo, Skylab, ASTP, ALT, Shuttle, and the International Space Station Program (ISS) are in attendance;
- We have in attendance the record holder for the highest flying astronaut (Fred Haise, Apollo 13, who flew 249,205 miles from Earth), and a person who still holds the record for the fastest speed a human has ever travelled (Tom Stafford, Apollo 10, at 24,791 mph);
- We have the youngest son of the first man to walk on the moon, and the daughter and former wife of the last man to walk on the moon;
- The current NASA Administrator who is in charge of our entire country's space effort;
- The former NASA Administrator, who is now the Under Secretary of Defense for Research & Engineering of our entire military.

Biographical Introduction to our  
**VERY SPECIAL GUESTS**





## JIM BRIDENSTINE

**BORN:** Ann Arbor, MI – June 15, 1975

**MILITARY:** Pilot - Major, U.S. Air Force; Lt. Commander, U.S. Navy

**FLIGHT TIME:** Flew combat missions in Iraq and Afghanistan; accrued 1,900 flight hrs., and 333 carrier-arrested landings.

**EDUCATION:** Bachelors in economics, psychology & business from Rice University; MBA from Cornell University.

**PRE-NASA CAREER:** Former Executive Director of the Tulsa Air & Space Museum; U.S. House of Representatives (elected for three terms) from the Oklahoma 1st District.

**NASA CAREER:** Selected by President Donald Trump to become NASA's 13th Administrator; Sworn into office by Vice-President Mike Pence on April 23, 2018; Became the first elected official to lead NASA; Oversees a nearly \$21 billion budget, and a workforce of over 17,000, plus thousands of additional government contractors.

**BRIDENSTINE'S PRIORITIES FOR NASA:** "We will go to the Moon in the next decade in a way we have never gone before. We will go with innovative new technologies and systems to explore more locations across the surface than was ever thought possible. This time when we go to the Moon, we will stay. And then we will use what we learn on the Moon to take the next giant leap – sending astronauts to Mars."

**CURRENT HOME:** Washington, D.C.







## WALT CUNNINGHAM

**BORN:** Creston, Iowa; March 16, 1932

**MILITARY:** Colonel, U.S. Marines  
Fighter pilot; 54 night fighter missions in Korea

**EDUCATION:** B.A. (with honors) Physics, UCLA  
M.A. (with distinction) Physics, UCLA  
Ph.D. Candidate, Physics, UCLA

**NASA CAREER:** Selected in the third group of NASA astronauts, October, 1963;  
Backup Pilot: Apollo 1  
Lunar Module Pilot: Apollo 7 (first Apollo space Mission); spending more than 10 days in space;  
Skylab Program Chief

**FLIGHT TIME:** 4,500 hrs. flight time, including 3,400 hrs. in jet aircraft, and 263 hours in space

**NASA RETIREMENT:** August 1, 1971

**POST-NASA CAREER:** Businessman and investor in a number of private ventures; Author "The All- American Boys;"  
Radio talk show host; Public speaker

**CURRENT HOME:** Houston, Texas



*"Any idiot can get an airplane off the ground, but an aviator earns his keep by bringing it back, anytime, anywhere, under any circumstances that that man and God can dream up."*

-Walt Cunningham





## CHARLIE DUKE

**BORN:** Charlotte, NC – October 3, 1935

**MILITARY:** Brig. General, U.S. Air Force Fighter Pilot, Test Pilot

**EDUCATION:** B.S. Naval Sciences, United States Naval Academy;  
M.S. Aeronautics & Astronautics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**NASA CAREER:** Selected in the fifth group of NASA astronauts, April, 1966; Apollo 10 Astronaut Support Crew; Apollo 11 CAPCOM; Apollo 13 & 17 Backup Lunar Module Pilot; Apollo 16 Lunar Module Pilot; 10th and youngest person to walk on the moon; Conducted three EVA's on the moon's Descartes Highlands with John Young, April, 1972.

**FLIGHT TIME:** 4,147 hrs. flight time, including 3,632 in jet aircraft, and 265 hours in space

**NASA RETIREMENT:** December, 1975

**POST-NASA CAREER:** Businessman and owner of Duke Investments, President of Charlie Duke Enterprises. Author "Moonwalker: The True Story of an Astronaut Who Found that the Moon Wasn't High Enough...." Motivational speaker.

**CURRENT HOME:** New Baunfels, Texas



*"Roger, Tranquility. We copy you on the ground. You've got a bunch of guys about to turn blue. We're breathing again. Thanks a lot."*

-Apollo 11 CAPCOM Charlie Duke to Armstrong and Aldrin upon the 1st lunar landing



*"That jewel of Earth was just hung up in the blackness of space. The only people that have seen the whole circle of the Earth are the 24 guys that went to the Moon."*





## JOE ENGLE

**BORN:** Chapman, KS – August 26, 1932

**MILITARY:** Major General, U.S. Air Force Fighter Pilot, Test Pilot

**EDUCATION:** B.S. Aeronautical Engineering, University of Kansas

**NASA CAREER:** Flew X-15 Rocket Plane on 16 flights; Earned astronaut wings before being selected by NASA;  
Selected by NASA in the fifth class of astronauts, April, 1966;  
Apollo 10 Support Crew  
Apollo 14 Backup Lunar Module Pilot  
Shuttle Altitude & Landing Tests (ALT) -3 flights  
STS-1 Backup Commander,  
STS-2 & STS-51-I Commander,  
(Only person to ever fly two different winged vehicles into space – X-15 & Shuttle)  
NASA Deputy Associate Administrator for Manned Space Flight

**FLIGHT TIME:** 15,400 hrs., over 9,900 hrs. in jet aircraft, in 185 different types of aircraft.

**NASA RETIREMENT:** November, 1986

**POST-NASA CAREER:** Air National Guard Assistant to the Commander-In-Chief of NORAD; Commander, Kansas Air National Guard; Aerospace Consultant

**CURRENT HOME:** Colorado Springs, CO



*"....there were times in the missions when you would be able to float over to a window and look down on the Earth. It think that was one of the most awesome sights."*

-Joe Engle







## MICHAEL GRIFFIN

**BORN:** Aberdeen, MD – November 1, 1949

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND:

Current: Under Secretary of Defense For Research & Engineering;

2005-09: NASA Administrator

2007: Named by Time Magazine on their list of the "Top 100" most influential people in the United States.

**EDUCATION:** Holds seven academic degrees; B.A. Physics from Johns Hopkins University; M.S. in Engineering from the Catholic University of America; PhD in Aerospace Engineering from the University of Maryland; M.S. in Electrical Engineering from the University of Southern California; M.S. in Applied Physics from Johns Hopkins University; MBA from Loyola University; M.S. in Civil Engineering from George Washington University; working toward an M.S in Computer Science before being named as NASA Administrator.

**EARLY CAREER:** Applied Physics Laboratory (APL) designing missile defense technology; Strategic Defense Initiative Organization Deputy of Technology; President/CEO In-Q-Tel working with the CIA; Leadership roles at Orbital Sciences Corp., and technical positions at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) & Computer Sciences Corp.; Named Eminent Scholar & Professor of mechanical & aerospace engineering at the University of Alabama – Huntsville; Director, Space Department at Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory;

**NASA CAREER:** Served in several key NASA positions, including being named as NASA's 11th Administrator by President George W. Bush. Served from 2005-09.

**CURRENT HOME:** Arlington, VA



*"I like to think of myself as a simple aerospace engineer from a small town."*

– Hon. Mike Griffin







## FRED HAISE

**BORN:** Biloxi, MS – November 14, 1933

**MILITARY:** Captain, U.S. Navy Marine & USAF Fighter Pilot, Test Pilot

**EDUCATION:** B.S. Aeronautical Engineering (with honors) –  
University of Oklahoma  
Post-Graduate Studies – Aerospace Research Pilot School, Edwards AFB, CA.

**NASA CAREER:** Selected by NASA in the fifth class of astronauts,  
April, 1966 (Came into the astronaut corp as a civilian after  
serving as a NASA test pilot  
Apollo's 8, 11 & 16 Backup Lunar Module Pilot;  
Apollo 13 Lunar Module Pilot, (slated to be the 6th human  
to walk on the moon before an explosion aboard the spacecraft  
forced an early return to the Earth)  
(ALT) – (flew five flights) Commander Shuttle Altitude & Landing Tests

**FLIGHT TIME:** 9,300 hrs. with over 6,200 hrs. in jet aircraft, in 80  
different types of aircraft, and 143 hrs. in space.

**NASA RETIREMENT:** June, 1979

**POST-NASA CAREER:** Executive, Grumman Aerospace Corp.  
In the Academy Award winning movie "Apollo 13,"  
Haise was played by the late actor, Bill Paxton.

**CURRENT HOME:** Pasadena, TX

*"I grew up on Buck Rogers and Flash Gordon. There wasn't a space  
program or NASA when I was a kid." - Fred Haise*







## JOHN HERRINGTON

**BORN:** Wetumka, OK – September 14, 1958

**MILITARY:** Commander, U.S. Navy  
Naval pilot & test pilot

**EDUCATION:** B.S., Applied Mathematics,  
University of Colorado, Colorado Springs  
M.S., Aeronautical Engineering, U.S. Naval Postgraduate School  
PhD, Education, University of Idaho

**NASA CAREER:** Selected by NASA in the 16th class of astronauts, May, 1996  
STS-113 Mission Specialist; Performed three spacewalks  
as part of the construction of the International  
Space Station (ISS); A member of the  
Chickasaw Nation, Herrington was the first  
tribally-enrolled Native American to fly in space.

**FLIGHT TIME:** 3,800 hrs. in more than 30 different types of  
aircraft, and over 330 hrs. in space, including nearly 20 EVA hrs.

**NASA RETIREMENT:** July, 2005

**POST-NASA CAREER:** Joined Rocketplane Limited as Vice-President/  
Director of Flight Operations; Public Speaker, Consultant to  
the Chickasaw Nation; STEM Education Motivator

**CURRENT HOME:** New Meadows, ID



*"I like challenge. My (Native American) ancestors were  
able to rise to challenges that came their way. I'd like to  
say I'm doing the same thing."*

- John Herrington





## JACK LOUSMA

**BORN:** Grand Rapids, Michigan – February 29, 1936

**MILITARY:** Colonel, U.S. Marine Corp, Naval Aviator

**EDUCATION:** B.S. in aeronautical engineering, University of Michigan, and post-graduate degree in aeronautical Engineering from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School

**NASA CAREER:** Selected by NASA in the 5th class of astronauts, April, 1966  
Apollo 9, 10 & 13 Astronaut Support Crew;  
(ASTP) Backup Docking Module Pilot, Apollo-Soyuz Test Project  
Skylab-3 Pilot; Commander STS-3

**FLIGHT TIME:** 7,000 hrs., 4,500 in jet aircraft, and 240 hrs. in helicopters, and over 1,619 hrs. in space, including nearly 11 hrs. in two Skylab EVA's.

**NASA RETIREMENT:** October, 1983

**POST-NASA CAREER:** After retiring from NASA, Lousma entered into politics, running for U.S. Senate in 1984 against incumbent Senator Carl Levin, but lost a close election.  
President/CEO The Diamond General Corporation;  
Vice President of Marketing and Sales, AeroSport, Inc.  
President, Michigan Columbia Corp.

**CURRENT HOME:** Kerrville, TX



As CAPCOM for Apollo 13, Lousma took the famous call: *"Houston, we've had a problem here!"* after a crippling explosion ripped through the spacecraft.





## DR. HARRISON “JACK” SCHMITT

**BORN:** Santa Rita, NM – July 3, 1935

**MILITARY:** Civilian

**EDUCATION:** B.S. in Geology, California Institute of Technology;  
Advanced Training, University of Oslo,  
PhD in Geology, Harvard University

**NASA CAREER:** Developed geological field techniques to be used by Apollo crews on the moon while working for the U.S. Geological Survey; Selected by NASA in June, 1965 as part of the first group of “Scientist-Astronauts.” Backup Lunar Module Pilot, Apollo 15; Apollo 17, Lunar Module Pilot; First & only scientist to walk on the Moon; 12th & last man to step onto the moon; Conducted three lunar EVA’s, spending a total of over 22 hrs. “moonwalking” and driving the Lunar Rover more than 22 miles across the lunar surface.

**FLIGHT TIME:** 12 days, 13.9 hrs in space; including nearly 75 hours living on the lunar surface.

**NASA RETIREMENT:** August, 1975

**POST-NASA CAREER:** In 1976, successfully ran for U.S. Senate from the state of New Mexico, defeating a two-term incumbent. Schmitt would serve one six-year term; Consultant in business, geology, space, and public policy; Adjunct Professor, Engineering Physics, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Chair, NASA Advisory Council; Author: “Return to the Moon: Exploration, Enterprise, and Energy in the Human Settlement of Space.”

**CURRENT HOME:** Albuquerque, NM



*“It’s like trying to describe what you feel when you’re standing on the rim of the Grand Canyon or remembering your first love or the birth of a child. You have to be there to really know what it’s like.”*

-Harrison “Jack” Schmitt







## RUSSELL “RUSTY” SCHWEICKART

**BORN:** Neptune, New Jersey – October 25, 1935

**MILITARY:** U.S. Air Force Fighter Pilot

**EDUCATION:** B.S. in Aeronautical Engineering & M.S. in Aeronautics and Astronautics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**NASA CAREER:** Selected in the 3rd group of NASA astronauts in October, 1963; Backup Pilot: Apollo 1 (Initial crew)

Backup Commander: Skylab 2

Apollo 9: Lunar Module Pilot; Piloted the first manned Lunar Module in Earth orbit, and performed the first EVA in the Apollo Program.

**FLIGHT TIME:** 4,000 hrs, including 3,500 hrs. in jet aircraft, and 10 days in space.

**NASA RETIREMENT:** 1977

**POST-NASA CAREER:** Science & Technology Assistant to California Governor Jerry Brown; California Energy Commission; Co-Founder of the Association of Space Explorers; President/CEO Aloha Networks, Inc.; Vice President CTA Commercial Systems, Inc.; Director, Low Earth Orbit Systems; President, Courier Satellite Services, Inc.

**CURRENT HOME:** Sonoma, CA



*“You see the Earth as a bright blue and white Christmas tree ornament in the black sky. It’s so small and so fragile – you realize that on that small spot is everything that means everything to you.....”* – Rusty Schweickart





## DAVID R. SCOTT

**BORN:** San Antonio, TX - June 6, 1932

**MILITARY:** Colonel, U.S. Air Force Fighter Pilot & Test Pilot

**EDUCATION:** University of Michigan; B.S. in Military Science, West Point; M.S. in Aeronautical/Astronautics & M.S. Engineer in Aeronautics/Astronautics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology;

**NASA CAREER:** Selected in the 3rd group of NASA astronauts in October, 1963; Gemini 5: CAPCOM; Gemini 8, Apollo 1 Backup Senior Pilot/Navigator; Apollo 9: Command Module Pilot; Conducted the first test of entire set of Apollo spacecraft in Earth orbit; Conducted one standup EVA; Backup Commander: Apollo 12  
Apollo 15: Commander, seventh person to walk on the moon; Spent nearly 67 hrs. on the lunar surface, and driving the first Lunar "Rover" more than 17 miles across its surface. The mission conducted the first extensive scientific research on the moon. Scott conducted three lunar spacewalks for a total of more than 19 hrs.

**FLIGHT TIME:** Over 5,600 hrs. flying time; graduated first in his test pilot class; Scott logged a total of nearly 547 hrs. in space of which nearly 21 hrs. conducting EVA's ("spacewalks").

**NASA RETIREMENT:** September, 1977

**POST-NASA CAREER:** Founded Scott Science & Technology, Inc.; Consultant on numerous TV & movie projects, including the movie "Apollo 13;" Author: "Two Sides of the Moon: Our Story of the Cold War Space Race" with Soviet Cosmonaut Alexei Leonov

**CURRENT HOME:** Los Angeles, CA



*"Man must explore. And this is exploration at its greatest."*

– Dave Scott







## THOMAS P. STAFFORD

**BORN:** Weatherford, OK – September 17, 1930

**MILITARY:** Lt. General, U.S. Air Force Fighter Pilot & Test Pilot

**EDUCATION:** B.S. in Engineering, U.S. Naval Academy

**NASA CAREER:** Selected as a member of the second class of NASA astronauts, September, 1962; Gemini VI: Pilot – the mission performed the first rendezvous in space with another orbiting spacecraft; Gemini IX: Commander; Apollo 10: Commander – Last dress rehearsal for before a lunar landing; first to fly Lunar Module in lunar orbit; set the all time human speed record of 24,791 mph on reentry. Chief of the Astronaut Office; Apollo-Soyuz: Commander; first international space flight

**FLIGHT TIME:** Flown more than 127 different aircraft & helicopters, and graduated first in his test pilot class; flown four different types of spacecraft, on three different types of rockets; Logged 508 hrs., and conducted six rendezvous in space. Became the first astronaut to become a General, and the first General to fly in space.

**NASA RETIREMENT:** November 1975

**POST-NASA CAREER:** Commander, USAF Flight Test Center, Edwards AFB, CA.; Commander “Area 51;” Led the push to develop stealth technology, including the F-117A and B-2 bomber; Deputy Chief of Staff, Air Force Research & Development at the Pentagon; Co-founded Stafford, Burke & Hecker Consulting; Served as a board member to numerous “Fortune 500” corporations; Chaired numerous NASA oversight committees & consultant for many NASA programs; Author: “We Have Capture;” Recipient of the Congressional Space Medal of Honor.

**CURRENT HOME:** Satellite Beach, FL & Oklahoma City, OK



*“I am very proud to have contributed to our nation’s future in space, and I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to have participated in the beginning of America’s venture into the new and endless frontier.”*

– Tom Stafford







## ALFRED "AL" WORDEN

**BORN:** Jackson, Michigan – February 7, 1932

**MILITARY:** Colonel, U.S. Air Force; fighter pilot & test pilot

**EDUCATION:** B.S. in Military Science, United States Military Academy at West Point; M.S. in Astronautical/Aeronautical Engineering & Instrumentation Engineering, University of Michigan.

**NASA CAREER:** Selected in the fifth group of NASA astronauts, April, 1966; Apollo 9: Support Crew; Apollo 12: Backup Command Module Pilot; Apollo 15: Command Module Pilot; One of only 24 humans to have flown to the Moon; Stayed alone in lunar orbit for three days as his two crew mates explored the lunar surface; On the return to the Earth, performed a 38 minute spacewalk to retrieve film canisters from the Apollo's Service Module – still holds the record for the furthest deep space EVA humans have conducted. NASA Senior Aerospace Scientist & Chief of the Systems Study Division, Ames Research Center, CA.

**FLIGHT TIME:** More than 4,000 hrs, including 2,500 in jet aircraft; 12 days, 7 hrs. in space.

**NASA RETIREMENT:** September, 1975

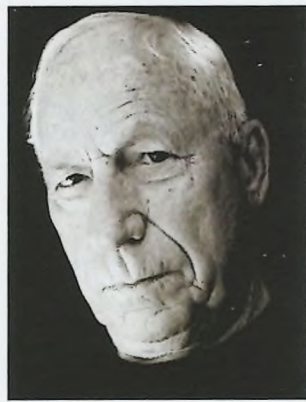
**POST-NASA CAREER:** President, Maris Worden Aerospace, Inc.; Vice-President, BF Goodrich Aerospace; Author: "Falling To Earth;" "Hello Earth! Greetings from Endeavor;" "I Want You To Know About a Flight to the Moon."

**CURRENT HOME:** League City, TX



*"Now I know why I'm here. Not for a closer look at the Moon, but to look back at our home, the Earth."*

– Al Worden





# *Menu*

## Chopped Salad

*(chopped fresh lettuce, bleu cheese crumbles, diced tomatoes, celery, dried cherries served with lemon vinaigrette)*

## House Specialty Grilled Tenderloin of Beef

Saute`ed (2) Jumbo Shrimp Served with

Heirloom Tomato Butter Scented Mashed Potato  
topped with White Wine Cream Reduction

Fresh Grilled Medley of Vegetables

Homemade Rolls and Butter

Chef's Choice of Desserts

Iced Tea, Water and Coffee Service





# Legacy Campaign

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The Board of the Stafford Air & Space Museum Foundation would like to extend to the following individuals, companies, and institutions our most profound appreciation for the hundreds of donors to the "Legacy Campaign" to expand and renovate the Stafford Museum.

We would especially like to acknowledge our major supporters who have recognized the vision and importance of the museum development for the countless individuals that will experience the important stories this building has to share for generations to come.

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*“The ultimate test of man’s conscience and vision may be his  
willingness to sacrifice something today for future generations  
whose words of thanks will not be heard”*

- Gayloard Nelson





“The crews of the Apollo missions will forever be our heroes. They are not just heroes of spaceflight; they are heroes for humanity. Seeing Earth from space with their own eyes and the images they shared with all of us were a gift of understanding – the best understanding of our own reality – of ‘who and where’ we are in this universe. So how do we ever really say thank you? I believe we do that by taking their lead, by never confining ourselves to the bounds of our planet, but by continuing to explore and establish our presence off our planet with the ultimate goal of improving life for everyone here on it.”

-Nicole Stott  
Shuttle Astronaut

